



I hope you got the article you
 sent by the ladies & may be get
 my likeness taken again hear and
 send to you over and on good
 bye

Wm. Gore Fast. 1861
 Washington March 7th

Dear Parents
 I thought that I would
 write a few lines to
 you in ink
 I am sitting up
 on the wood, penning

This letter right a front of of the tents
 of our Regt. before ~~me~~ me is the
 well that the 7. Regt. of N. Y. had
 dug and ~~right~~ aside of it is the
 well that was spoiled by the secession
 men. Keep a guard of over the well
 all of the time there is three Regts.
 that get water from is the 18 Regt. from Albany
 9 Regt. from Brooklyn they are encamp
 near the 7. Regt. way and Christians
 Regt. gets water some times here

Jonny Joney & the Boys that work
for Wallock is there but I have
not seen them yet - I have seen all
the rest of the Boys down the road
is the Columbia College that
was full of secessionists, Democrats
and they used to send up rockets
a Riggs come in they have sent up
th^{is} or four since we have been here
but I bet they will send no more
if they do the College will be
pull down it is empty now and has
been since the 2nd of June it out but
they get in some way or other I
hear that they have a guard on it now
there is Major Riggs Connecticut
Massachusetts & Ohio Michigan
and Riggs from all over the States
around us I have seen the Maryland
Riggs that had the fight in Baltimore
and the German Riggs of N.Y.
that was at Baltimore the
latter is occupied by the Columbia
Sherman's Baltimore & West Point - Baltimore College

They are Sherrings Bullets & Hot-
Point-Bullets are at Washington
the Streets of Washngtn are full of
solgers some on Horse back and
the rest on foot-the town is full of
the United States Waggons drawn
by mules & Horses they drive with
four with one line the driver sits
on one of the Horses I have seen
20 or 30 waggons in a string to gether
Baltimore is the hardest place
that I ever saw even we went
thru it the people did not say
a word to us only to a big French
shore the men all come out and
gave us three Cheers and soon we
past the custom House they kissed
the American Collog you see four
niggers to one white man there
and 20 niggers driving mule carts
and driving there Masters waggons
and they Masters in the waggons and
three or four niggers around it.

